MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to treat the work as very urgent in view of the fact that, if the canal is allowed to lie in disrepair, the ryots would be put to *recurring* loss every year ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI ((*Ag. Secretary to Government*): As I said, the matter is being investigated by the P. W. Division Officer, Quilon, and the question will be taken up when he submits his report.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Have the Government informed the P. W. D. officers that, in view of the urgency of the matter, they must expedite their work of investigation ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : No.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Do not the Government feel that the matter is urgent in view of the recurring loss which the ryots are put to ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : The question can be decided only after the report of the Pubic Works Department has been received.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Is the Chief Engineer to report on the question whether the ryots are really being put to any loss *every year?*

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : No.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Has the Chief Engineer been asked to investigate that question also ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : No. The petition was sent to the Chief Engineer by the Government, and the Chief Engineer, has, in turn, sent it on to the Executive Engineer for investigation and report. That is how the matter stands now.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to ask the Chief Engineer to treat the matter as urgent ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : That may be done.

*Appointments made in the Medical Department during 1105 and 1106.*

227. MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the number of appointments made during 1105 and 1106 in the Medical Department and the number of Muslims who got such appointments ?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Statements* containing the information required by the member are laid on the table.

*Resident Medical Officer, General Hospital.*

228. MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) :- Will the Government be pleased to state :

* *Vide* Appendix I—page 615.

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# Appendix I.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 227.**

Statement of appointments made in the Medical Department during 1105.

| *Designation.* | | *No.* | *Muslim.* |
|---|---|---|---|
| Assistant Surgeons | ... | 1 | ,, |
| Sub-Assistant Surgeons | ... | 6 | ,, |
| Compounders | ... | 10 | ,, |
| Midwives | ... | 3 | ,, |
| Acting Nurses | ... | 10 | ,, |
| Clerks | ... | 1 | ,, |
| Peons | ... | 15 | 1 |
| Warders | ... | 7 | ,, |
| Watermen | ... | 6 | ,, |
| Scavengers | ... | 10 | ,, |
| Cooks | ... | 7 | ,, |
| Sweepers | ... | 4 | ,, |
| *Totties* | ... | 8 | ,, |
| Female servants | ... | 1 | ,, |
| *Dhobies* | ... | 1 | ,, |
| Total | ... | 90 | 1 |

Statement of appointments made in the Medical Department during 1106.

| *Designation.* | | *No.* | *Muslims.* |
|---|---|---|---|
| Assistant Surgeons | ... | 1 | ,, |
| Sub-Assistant Surgeons | ... | 12 | ,, |
| Compounders | ... | 13 | ,, |
| Midwives | ... | 22 | ,, |
| Trained Nurses | ... | 2 | ,, |
| Sick Nurses | ... | 2 | ,, |
| Clerks | ... | 6 | ,, |
| Peons | ... | 31 | 3 |
| Warders | ... | 25 | ,, |
| Watermen | ... | 13 | ,, |
| Scavengers | ... | 9 | ,, |
| Cooks | ... | 9 | ,, |
| Sweepers | ... | 10 | ,, |
| *Totties* | ... | 2 | ,, |
| *Dhobies* | ... | 1 | ,, |
| Watchers | ... | 3 | ,, |
| Total | ... | 161 | 3 |



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